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## CHINA MOURNS CH'EN T'SE'S DEATE

Euang-chou, 14 September (CNA) -- On 13 September 1949, Acting KMT President Li Tsung-jen made public the following proclamation in memory of the late Ch'en T'se:

With the passing of Ch'en Tice, China has lost a great leader. His magnificent work during peace and war will long be remembered.

During his youth, Ch'en joined a secret society, which was organized by Dr Sun Yat-sen to overthree the Manchu Dynasty. Under Sun's orders, he commanded a naval fleet which ultimately defeated and captured 60-odd enemy vessels in the battle of Chien-chi-tang.

Later, he was appointed, concurrently, Fleet Commander of the Kwangtung Naval Fleet and Commandant of the Naval Academy. In subsequent years, he became Commanderin-Chief of the First Floet and Commander of the Hu-men Fortified Area.

During World War II, he was assigned to Hong Kong as a military attache. While there, he assisted Allied officials in working out military strategies against the common enemy. After the war, he became Mayor of Kuang-chou. His last post before his death was that of Deputy Chief, Kuang-chou Pacification Bureau.

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